THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): Presumably the Hon'ble Members want to know the percentage of decrease in siltation in the catchment areas of 28 reservoirs as a result of soil conservation treatment during the years 1982-83 and 1983-84.

The data required for assessing the results of soil conservation treatment for 1982-83 and 1983-84 is not available with Central Government.

Creation of Irrigation Potential

332. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:
SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA:
SHRI P. N. SUKUL:

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) how many million hectares of irrigation potential have been created in 1983-84; and

(b) how much of the net sown areas was rain-fed and how much was irrigated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) The additional irrigation potential anticipated in 1983-84 is about 2.32 million hectares. As per the latest land use statistics available for 1980-81, 101.47 m.ha. of the net sown area was estimated as rainfed and 38.80 m.ha. was estimated as net irrigated area in the country.

Standard of medicines in CGHS dispensaries

333. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:
SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA:
SHRI P. N. SUKUL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted during 1983-84 to check the standard of medicines in the CGHS dispensaries; and

(b) whether any standards have been laid down for indigenous medicines?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (MISS KUMUDBEN M. JOSHI): (a) The Drugs Controller (India) had conducted a random survey of the Allopathic medicines supplied to different CGHS Dispensaries to assess the quality of medicines in 1982-83. Out of 64 samples taken 61 passed all the prescribed tests. The remaining 3 samples were found to be therapeutically effective but were categorised as substandard because of certain technical faults and inadequate storage.

(b) The Pharmacopoeil standards of Indigenous medicines are yet to be laid down. However, classical organoleptic standards of indigenous medicines are applied.

Flood Control Measures

334. SHRI R. SAMBA SIVA RAO: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have issued instructions to the State Governments in May, 1984 to take effective flood control measures in time to face any eventuality;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the State Governments thereto;

(c) whether the Central Government have sought any report from the State Governments with regard to the measures so far taken by them; and

(d) if so, what are the details of the reports submitted by the State Governments?